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Surely everyone who grows cotton grows it with the hope of making money from it, and, of course, wants to plant the variety that has proven the greatest money producer under conditions similar to his own. If this is true, the planter specializing in 1-1/8 to 1-3/16 inch cotton will want to plant Delfos-6102, and the man who prefers a 1-3/16 to 1-1/4 inch staple will want Delfos-631. Why? Because these cottons are making a greater money return per acre than any other cottons known. In Experiment Station and private tests throughout almost the entire long staple area Delfos Cottons are proving themselves wonderful producers. In the great majority of tests, even on uplands, and particularly throughout the Mississippi Valley, Delfos-6102 has produced more lint cotton per acre than the best short staple varieties. You have only to ask the man who has grown Delfos-6102, or who has seen it grown on a small or large scale, to learn that this cotton is the most popular and the most profitable ever grown by him or his neighbor.

Why is it the most popular and the most profitable?

BECAUSE:

First. It produces a small open stalk on the most fertile land and, consequently, is the best rich land cotton ever produced.

Second. It has light foliage and is open in its habit of growth; a great factor in combating the boll weevil.

Third. Its boll size is fair to good. The 6102 strain averages 75 bolls per pound, while the 631 strain averages 66 bolls.

Fourth. It has good staple. Under average soil and climatic conditions, strain 6102 pulls 1-1/8 to 1-3/16 inches, while strain 631 pulls 1-3/16 to 1-1/4 inches.

Fifth. Its lint percentage is high for a Staple variety; 31 to 32 per cent, varying with the soil and climatic conditions.

Sixth. It is the earliest staple cotton known. See our pamphlet "Delfos Cotton,—What It Is," for records.

Seventh. It is the heaviest bloomer known; setting more forms up to Aug. 1st than the weevils can destroy. See our pamphlet, "Delfos Cotton,—What It Is," for records.

Eighth. It is the most prolific; produces more lint per acre than any other Staple variety, even more than most short staple varieties.

Ninth. It is well adapted to close spacing, because of its light foliage and early heavy fruiting.

Tenth. It does well over a wide range of territory; ranking high when tested on fertile valley land or on poor upland.

Eleventh. It picks well and is liked by the labor.

WHERE IS THE BEST PLACE TO BUY DELFOS SEED?

If you should want to buy a good Hereford bull you would not go to a live stock trader or cattle buyer to get him. You would go to a breeder who has established a reputation for constructive breeding work on Hereford cattle, or who has developed a particular blood line of merit you desire. The same principles hold true in regard to seed. Then, you should be as considerate of your planting seed as you are of your breeding animals. It is of much greater importance. With the animal you buy just one individual, while with the seed you buy thousands, perhaps millions of individuals.

You need not expect to buy the best seed from the seed merchant or broker. To be sure of the best, go to the men who are breeding and growing the seed you desire. The man who develops and increases a particular strain is in position to give you the best of that strain.

Delfos Cotton was developed by the men who are doing the cotton breeding for the Stoneville Pedigreed Seed Company, and who are supervising the growing of Delfos seed on the plantations belonging to the Company. Then, would you not expect to get the best possible Delfos seed from the Stoneville Pedigreed Seed Company? Its seed are all thoroughly recleaned on the most modern cleaning machinery to be had, which removes all hulls, lint, immature seed, dirt, and other foreign matter, giving an absolutely clean seed that will plant uniformly.

Its seed are also thoroughly tested for germination on the most approved type of electric germinators. Only those measuring up to a very high standard are shipped. Investigate their seed and get their prices. They are reasonable.

ONLY THE BEST IS WORTH THE PRICE YOU PAY!